

Exercise 1.4(Present Perfect Continuous Tense)

1. Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the given verbs to make present perfect continuous tense.

- (i) She has been working here for five years.
- (ii) I have been cooking, so I am really hot.
- (iii) It has been raining, the pavement is wet.
- (iv) You have not been eating well recently.
- (v) We have not been drinking enough water that is why we feel tired.
- (vi) They have been playing since morning.
- (vii) She has been sleeping since yesterday.
- (viii) She has been working for two hours.
- (ix) I have been painting my room since morning.
- (x) It has been raining the whole night.
- (xi) They have been fighting the whole day today.
- (xii) She has been weeping the whole night.
- (xiii) He has been waiting for you the whole month.
- (xiv) She has been cheating with him for years.
- (xv) They have been writing a story for weeks.

2. Change the following sentences into negative sentences.

- (i) You have ~~not~~ been writing a letter for two hours.
- (ii) He has ~~not~~ been writing a book on Pakistan since January.
- (iii) They have ~~not~~ been playing chess since morning.
- (iv) We have ~~not~~ been living hand to mouth for a year.
- (v) You have ~~not~~ been waiting here for two hours.
- (vi) John and I have ~~not~~ been talking about getting married.
- (vii) They have ~~not~~ been trying to contact her.
- (viii) Your dogs have ~~not~~ been barking since early this morning.
- (ix) Thank goodness you have arrived. We have ~~not~~ been waiting for you.
- (x) My hands are ~~not~~ very dirty as I have ~~not~~ been repairing the car.

(xi) The party has not been going on all night.

3. Change the following sentences into interrogative sentences.

(i) Have they been talking for the last two hours?

(ii) Have I been calling you for an hour?

(iii) Has John been teaching at the university since June?

(iv) Is this is the second jigsaw we have been playing?

(v) Has it been raining since morning?

(vi) Has a party of rescuers and volunteers been looking for the missing?

(vii) Has he been drawing a picture for an hour?

(viii) Has he been suffering from toothache all day?

(ix) Has she been spending all day looking for her cat?

(x) Have you been playing since morning?

(xi) Have I been feeling ill lately?